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**For: METHODS AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING AN XML INTERFACE  
DESCRIPTION LANGUAGE**

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Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of the above-referenced patent application, please enter the following amendments:

**IN THE TITLE:**

Please replace the present title with the following:

**--METHODS AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING AN XML-BASED  
INTERFACE DESCRIPTION LANGUAGE --**

**REMARKS**

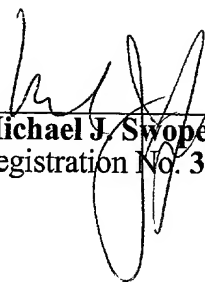
The title has been changed to more closely reflect the subject matter of the claimed invention.

**CONCLUSION**

Early consideration and allowance of the above-referenced patent application is respectfully requested.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "**Version with markings to show changes made.**"

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